

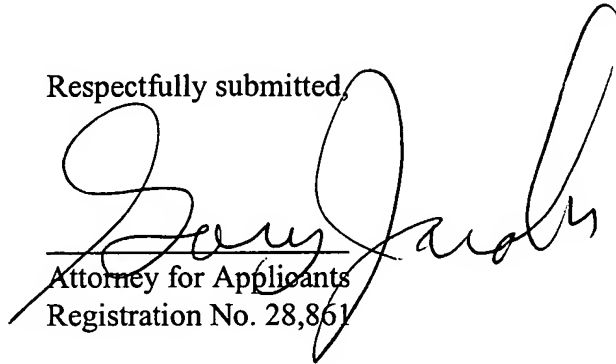
REMARKS

The application has been amended to correct minor informalities therein.

Consideration and an early allowance are respectfully solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Jacob". The signature is written over the typed name and registration number.

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MARKED-UP AMENDED CLAIMS

4. (Amended) A toner supply container according to Claim 1, wherein the welding pattern is [cut-away] concave [toward] downstream with respect to the tearing direction, at a portion where the tearing starts in a welded portion.

8. (Amended) A process cartridge detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, comprising:

a developing portion, having a photosensitive member, for developing a latent image on the photosensitive member;

a toner accommodating portion for accommodating toner to said developing portion, said toner accommodating portion [is] being provided with an opening for permitting discharging of the toner;

a sealing member for unsealably sealing the opening, wherein said sealing member has a seal portion welded to the main body of said container, and a sealing member pulling portion extended and folded back therefrom[.],

wherein the opening is unsealed by tearing a part of said sealing member,

wherein [wherein] a pattern of welding with which said sealing member is welded on the main body of the container is inclined inwardly with respect to a tearing direction at a laterally outward end portion at a tearing starting side end portion.

9. (Amended) A [toner supply container] process cartridge according to Claim 8, wherein the welding pattern is inclined rectilinearly.

10. (Amended) A [toner supply container] process cartridge according to Claim 8, wherein said welding pattern is inclined with curvature.

11. (Amended) A [toner supply container] process cartridge according to Claim 8, wherein the welding pattern is [cut-away toward] concave downstream with respect to the tearing direction, at portion where the tearing starts in a welded portion.

12. (Amended) A [toner supply container] process cartridge according to Claim 8, wherein said sealing member is provided with a tearing guide portion provided by laser irradiation.

13. (Amended) A [toner supply container] process cartridge according to Claim 8, wherein said sealing member has a cover film sealing the opening and a tear tape for tearing the cover film.